

a seal assembly having a seal substrate and an  
abradable seal material applied to a bond layer;

said abradable seal material being composed of a  
densified polyimide foam;

an engine component adapted for motion relative to the  
seal assembly and having an abrasive portion interacting  
with the abradable seal material, whereby the abrasive  
portion of the engine component and the abradable seal  
material of the seal assembly cooperate to provide sealing;

said engine component forming part of an engine having  
a centerline;

said abradable seal material comprising a plurality of  
laminated layers of said polyimide foam having a lamination  
plane;

said lamination plane being substantially  
perpendicular to said centerline; and

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said lamination plane being substantially parallel to  
a radial direction of said engine and substantially  
perpendicular to an axial direction of said engine.

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